

Canton Insurance Office Annual Meeting

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR MOST SATISFACTORY

AN IMPROVEMENT in the 1939 account of \$137,785 on that of 1938, and of \$740,464 in the working account of 1940 on that of 1939, was reported by the Chairman of the Consulting Committee, Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, at the Sixtieth Annual Meeting of The Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., held in the offices of the General Agents, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., yesterday.

Supporting the Chairman were Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce, Messrs. D. E. Clark, A. H. Compton, P. H. Suckling and S. T. Williamson (members of the Consulting Committee), and Mr. F. C. Hall (Secretary).

Shareholders present were Mr. S. Hampton Ross, Mr. D. V. Steavenson, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, Mr. M. W. Lo, Mr. Horace Lo, Mr. Ho Sacheung, Mr. J. Fleming, Mr. P. Tester and Mr. D. Hung.

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH

In the course of his speech, the Chairman said:

Gentlemen, before proceeding with the formal business, I would first explain that the delay of one month in holding this meeting is due to the late arrival of returns, without which it would have been impossible to complete the accounts in anything like their customary form.

Further, I would here wish to express the regret of the General Agents and Consulting Committee at the resignation of Mr. J. H. Taggart on his retirement from the Colony owing to ill health. Mr. Taggart served on the Committee from November 1931 until February this year and during that time his valued support and advice were always at our disposal; I am sure you will be glad to know that his health has greatly improved since he arrived in California. I am pleased to inform you that Mr. P. H. Suckling has accepted our invitation to fill the vacancy on the Committee.

SATISFACTORY ACCOUNTS

The Statement of Accounts for the year 1939 which we now present to you is, I am pleased to say, a most satisfactory one, the balance of \$1,385,855 (I am omitting all cents) being an improvement of \$137,785 on that for 1938 and this in spite of further reductions in premium and interest of \$299,415 and \$81,062 respectively. The ratio of losses fell from 54.27 per cent. to 44.80 per cent. while that for charges rose from 30.20 per cent. to 32.50 per cent.

The balance at credit of working account 1940, as at Dec. 31 last, stood at \$2,629,370, an increase of \$740,464 on that for 1939 at the same stage. Although this appears to be highly satisfactory much has yet to be paid out in respect of second year losses and taxation; it is impossible in these times to make forecasts and any attempt on my part would be purely guesswork. This account discloses a yet further shrinkage in interest of \$67,958 when compared with 1939, also at the end of twelve months.

INCREASE IN ASSETS

Scrutiny of the Balance Sheet will reveal the fact that the total of assets has risen by \$1,343,113, or £83,245 as expressed in sterling. This is mainly due to increased cash and agency balances against which must be set our now reduced holdings of mortgages, loans and debentures. On the debit side the main differences will be found in respect to the investment and exchange fluctuation and underwriting suspense accounts, together with material increases in the figures of accounts payable and the balance from the two working accounts.

As customary, all investments and mortgage loans have been brought into the accounts at—or under—the market prices or face values ruling on Dec. 31 last.

INTEREST INCOME DOWN

I trust you will have taken due cognisance of the serious decrease in income from interest. Were it not that the account for 1939 looks so healthy, as does the carry forward for 1940, your Committee would have been dubious about recommending a dividend on the same lines as last year. The days when we could readily obtain a return of 5 per cent. to 6 per cent. on our funds are now gone and who can say if they will ever return.

The surplus to be dealt with from the 1939 account is \$1,305,855, out of which has been paid an interim dividend of 65 per cent. We now recommend final payment of 75 per cent.—which will absorb \$600,000 and the transfer of the balance of \$765,055 to underwriting suspense account to close 1939 and previous years. This payment necessitates \$10,000 being

C.G. SILVA TO GIVE UP BOWLS

C. G. Silva, Recreio and Inter-port lawn bowler, has decided to give up bowls for the rest of the season, acting on his doctor's advice.

He has scratched from the Open Singles and Pairs (with J. E. No-rinha) competitions, but there is a possibility of his having a trial in the Open Rinks to see if he can stand the strain."

G. H. Sheriff, K.B.G.C. skip, has withdrawn from the Colony Lawn Bowls Pairs championship, which he entered with A. Hyde-Lay, and his place has been taken by J. N. Wong, of Kowloon Tong.

A. S. Sufiadi, who has been playing regularly in Indian Recreation Club's Third Division League bowls team since the beginning of the season, will not be able to take part in the game for a couple of weeks owing to a recurrence of foot trouble.

LAWN BOWLS SELECTIONS

The following are some Club selections for Saturday's programme in the Lawn Bowls League.

FIRST DIVISION

RECREIO "A" J. Luz, C. G. Marques, J. E. Norinha, H. A. Alves (skip), J. P. Xavier, C. M. Silva, J. P. V. Ribeiro, F. X. Soares, C. Roza, Pereira, F. V. V. Ribeiro, R. F. Luz (skip).

RECREIO "B" D. C. Alves, C. J. Basto, C. A. Lopes, J. J. Basto (skip), F. A. Machado, J. C. Remondes, E. Souza, J. J. Silva (skip), C. Vas, A. M. Xavier, A. M. Rodrigues, A. P. Guterres (skip).

THIRD DIVISION

RECREIO E. Cunha, H. R. Pinho, A. A. Roza, P. Yvanovich (skip), F. Sequiera, H. M. Xavier, F. X. Monteiro, M. Carvalho (skip), G. A. Pinna, L. A. Rozario, M. Mendonca, M. P. Pinna (skip).

BOWLS PAIRS RESULTS

Only three matches in the First Round of the Open Lawn Bowls Pairs championship were played and following are the results:

At Kowloon B.G.C. H. Spong and E. Levett beat E. A. Altkens and J. G. Meyer 20-12.

At Kowloon Ducks, B. White and A. J. Hall lost to C. M. Silva and F. X. Soares 12-19.

At Kowloon F.C., H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro beat J. N. Wong and A. Hyde-Lay 20-12.

TENNIS TITLE FOR WEBB

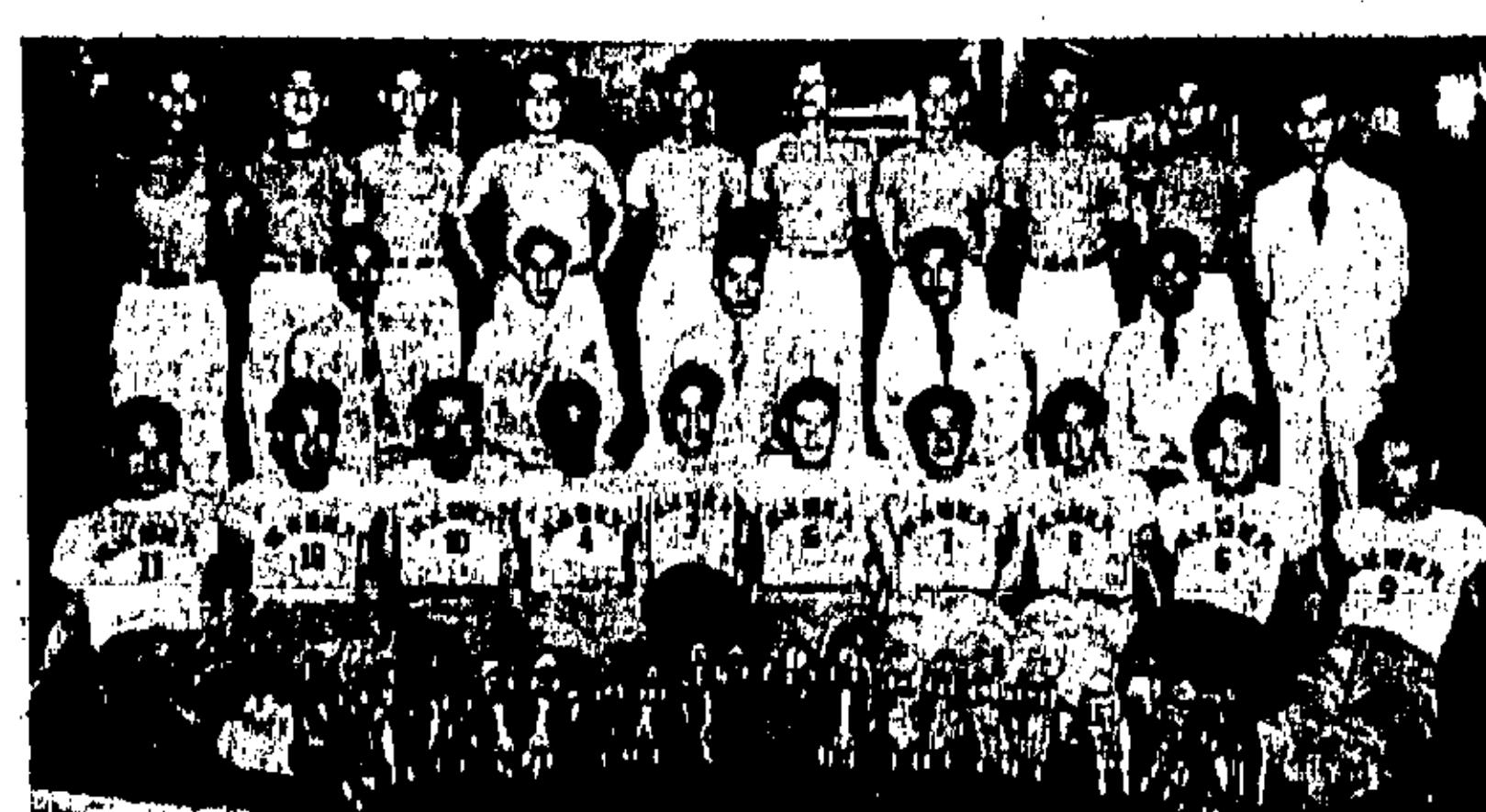
Sergeant J. W. Webb, Army cricketer and R.A.M.C. footballer, has won the Medicals' Handicap Singles tennis tournament, beating Pte. Gunson (15) in the final by 1-6, 6-2, 4-6, 6-3, 6-0.

MISUNDERSTANDING

Due to some misunderstanding, the Army Tennis Club failed to turn up for their Second Division Tennis League game against Chinese Recreation Club at Causeway on Tuesday. The Chinese team were present.

Combined Royal Artillery are applying for admission to First Division of the Football League and will enter seven teams in Third Division.

KIM SHING CUP



The above is a photograph of the organisers and competitors in the "KIM SHING CUP" basketball on roller skates competition which was concluded on Tuesday. The picture was taken at the Kowloon Skating Rink, Mongkok, and seated, second from the right, in the middle row is Mr. K. C. Chong, manager of the Rink. On his left, is Mr. Wong Lai-ling, who refereed all matches played in this League.—(Mayfair Studio).

SPORTS & GENERAL

WM. POWELL MTG.:

Difficult Trade Conditions Reported By The Chairman

The annual meeting of William Powell, Limited, was held yesterday at the registered office of the company, Windsor House, Mr. E. Raymond being in the Chair.

The Chairman, in his address, commented on the fact that the accounts placed before the meeting showed a satisfactory result of the year's trading, and the balance from the General Working Account for the year showed an increase over last year of approximately \$5,000.

Trading conditions during the year had been difficult and the question of stock replacements, the Chairman said, had given the Directors some cause for concern.

By far the greater part of the stock had to be imported from England and orders had to be placed with the company's agents and suppliers there many months in advance.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Raymond said:— Your Directors are pleased to place before you accounts showing such a satisfactory result of the year's trading. The balance from General Working Account for the year shows an increase over last year of approximately \$5,000.

Against this however a new item of expenditure appears in the Profit and Loss Account available for appropriation the sum of \$10,000.

I trust Shareholders will approve of this recommendation and also of the recommendation to pay the same Division and Bonus as last year, viz 20 cents per share and 10 cents per share respectively.

BALANCE SHEET

Turning to the Balance Sheet it will be noted that the value of stocks on hand is approximately \$13,000 greater than last year.

This has to a large extent been brought about by the general increase in prices of goods during the past year. Stocks have been conservatively valued and are readily saleable.

Sundry Debtors are approximately the same as at Feb. 29, 1940. Full provision has been made for doubtful debts and the greater portion of the debts outstanding has since been collected.

I do not think there are any further items in the Balance Sheet which call for particular comment.

In conclusion I would like to take this opportunity of thanking Mr. Overy and his staff for their services during the year. I feel I am expressing the wishes of Shareholders in doing so. The staff has carried out their duties admirably under difficult circumstances.

I will now propose the adoption of the Report and Accounts as presented and when this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any question Shareholders may wish to ask.

REPORT PASSED

Mr. J. C. Saunders seconded the adoption of the report and statement of accounts.

Proposed by Mr. H. Overy and seconded by Mr. P. A. Yvanovitch, Mr. S. H. Ross was re-elected a member of Board of Directors.

Proposed by Mr. Ross and seconded by Mr. Overy, Messrs. Linstead and Davis were re-elected auditors.

Present were Mr. S. H. Ross, Director, Mr. H. Overy, Managing Director, Mr. W. L. Alexander, Secretary, and Messrs. J. C. Saunders and P. A. Yvanovitch, Shareholders.

WATER-POLO SCORES

Playing in the European Y.M.C.A. Invitation water-polo tournament last night, Combined Small Units defeated the Royal Navy "D" by 4 goals to one. Macdonald (2), Knightley and Thorley scored for the winners, while Hall replied for the Navy.

In the Army pool, Royal Scots "C" shared four goals with 965 R.A. L/C Hunter and Davidson netted for the Royals, and Langridge and Pidgeon equalised for the gunners.

CHESS RESULT

In a match in the Colony Junior Chess championship tournament, played on Tuesday night at the Peninsula Hotel, V. V. Koltachoff beat E. M. Petrov.

SPORTING FIXTURES

TODAY

TENNIS.—Fourth Division: P.O. R.C. (2) v. A.T.C., C.C.C. v. P.O. R.C. (1), S.C.A.A. v. J.R.C. C.R. C. v. C.B.A. K.I.T.C. v. I.R.C.

WATER-POLO.—European Y.M.C.A. v. 36th Battery, R.A. (Army pool), 7.15 p.m.; Navy "A" v. Royal Scots "A" (Army pool), 7.45 p.m.; Royal Corps of Signals v. Middlesex "A" (Army pool), 8.15 p.m.; Navy "B" v. Combined Small Units ("Y" pool), 7.15 p.m.; Navy "C" v. Royal Scots "B" ("Y" pool), 7.45 p.m.; Middlesex "B" v. 965th Battery, R.A. ("Y" pool), 8.15 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 28

BASEBALL.—H.B. Baseball Club v. S.C.O.A. 2.15 p.m.; R.E. v. Chung Hwa, 4.30 p.m.

LAWN BOWLS.—First Division:

Recreio "A" v. Kowloon Docks R.C. Cragengower v. Civil Service, Kowloon C.C. v. Indian R.C.

Police R.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C.

"B", Recreio "B" v. Kowloon B.G.C.

"A". Second Division:

Hongkong C.C. v. Kowloon C.C.

Kowloon Tong v. Cragengower.

Prison O.C. v. Kowloon F.C.

H.K.F.C. v. Taikoo R.C. Third Division:

Kowloon B.G.C. v. Hongkong F.C.

Hongkong R.C. v. Hongkong C.C.

Hongkong Electric v. Recreio.

SUNDAY, JUNE 29

BASEBALL.—H.B. Baseball Club v. Royal Engineers, 4.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 1941.

GOVERNMENT JOBS ARE TOO TEMPTING!

Coincidental with the reported shortage of labour in Penang harbour, the Malaya Tribune learns that there is also a shortage of harbour "hands" in Singapore at the present, although this shortage has not yet reached an acute stage.

The shortage is felt particularly in the case of Chinese labourers, temporary, one informed quarter predicted, and it will not be very long before the labourers now employed by the Government, on completing their work, will have to return to their old jobs.

LAND TAX

After heated debates at two sessions of the Third National Finance Conference, a resolution to collect land tax in kind beginning from the latter half of the current year was unanimously passed at the 5th plenary session yesterday morning.

Nevertheless, it is stated that it is still possible although not without difficulty, for labour contractors to carry on the ordinary harbour work without much interruption.

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EIGHT VICHY AIRCRAFT DESTROYED IN SYRIA

CAIRO, June 25 (Reuters) — The destruction of eight Vichy aircraft on the ground, and damage to a very large number of others during raids on Syria are announced in a Royal Air Force communiqué issued this evening.

A number of hits on flying boats at Syracuse and the discovery of 15 burnt-out Italian aircraft at Jimma, Abyssinia, are other highlights.

"Syria Aircraft" (11) — The RAF Rayak destroying eight Vichy aircraft and Australian Air Force were craft on the ground. A very large number of others were damaged. A large number of others were damaged and another was attacked and severely damaged in the air.

DROME ATTACKED

A squadron of the AAF carried out a machinegun attack on an aerodrome near Hama. One hangar and a number of other buildings were burnt out, several motor transport vehicles were damaged and one Vichy Glenn Martin was destroyed on the ground.

A number of fighters were intercepted above the aerodrome and two were shot down while a number of others were damaged.

"Bomber aircraft attacked Fort Squida."

"Sicily" — Yesterday RAF aircraft attacked flying-boats at Syracuse. A number of hits were made on flying boats as well as on a hangar and barracks.

BENGHAZI BOMBED

"Cyrenaica" — The harbour of Benghaz and an enemy transport in the same area were bombed on Sunday night.

British submarines also sank "From all operations, two British successfully attacked an Italian liner fish aircraft are missing, and a 20,000-tonne ship and sank a supply third made a forced landing in enemy territory."

FINLAND AND POLAND

LONDON, June 25 (Reuters) — Finland no longer recognises the existence of Poland as an independent State and yesterday afternoon handed a note to that effect to the Polish Minister in Helsinki.

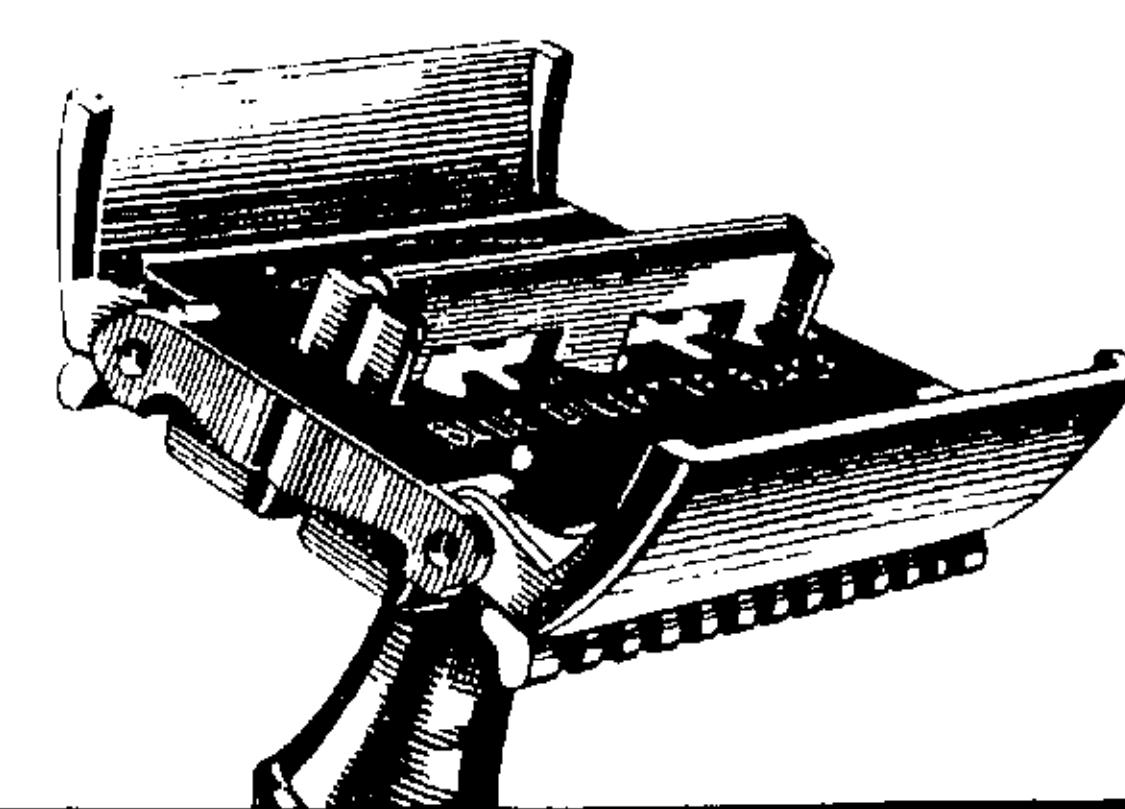
The reason given is that since Poland is occupied and administered partly by Germany and partly by Russia the "activity of the Legation rests without any practical foundation."

The Polish Minister has sent a Foreign note of protest to the Finnish Office.

VICHY DESTROYER BELIEVED SUNK

LONDON, June 25 (Reuters) — An Admiralty communiqué says that a Vichy destroyer is almost certainly sunk by torpedoes from naval aircraft.

British submarines also sank "From all operations, two British successfully attacked an Italian liner fish aircraft are missing, and a 20,000-tonne ship and sank a supply third made a forced landing in enemy territory."



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 "Nothing to do with it."
 "In that case, Sir, you will have no objection to closing that window. It is exceedingly cold, and the draught is ferocious."
 "I beg your pardon, Sir. I'm terribly sorry. Fact is, I've a most appalling headache, and the cool air does it good. I attended a most enjoyable party last night, and I'm feeling much the worse for it."
 "My dear fellow, why didn't you say so at first? Trouble is, it's so long

since I've had a hangover myself. I've almost forgotten the symptoms. Was there no Rose's Lime Juice in your corner of the Shires?"
 "Afraid I don't follow you."
 "Rose's Lime Juice, I said. Cancels hangovers in advance. You either mix it with gin, or swallow a stiff glass solo before bed. Why, man, it's smothered the pains of thousands."
 "You're telling me that Rose's fills this long-felt want?"
 "I've never known it fail."
 "Then, Sir, I am deeply indebted to you. Here is my card. I trust that we shall see more of each other. Much more. Are you by any chance free to dine tonight? Wonderful how these chance encounters change the course of one's whole life!"

BIG BATTLE BETWEEN SOVIET NAVAL UNITS AND LUFTWAFFE REPORTED IN BLACK SEA

Spectre Of Nazi Victory Is Removed

ANKARA, June 25 (Reuters) — A SEA FIGHT IS REPORTED TO BE GOING OFF THE BULGARIAN COAST (BLACK SEA), according to rumours from Varna. Soviet cruisers, destroyers and submarines are said to be fighting German aircraft but there is not confirmation.

The Germans are known to have mined the Bulgarian and Rumanian coast but they are believed to have left a narrow channel at the mouth of the Bosphorus unmined.

Axis sources here admit that the Germans are meeting very strong opposition in Bukovina and state that the Russians are not fighting a defensive battle but are attacking.

Russian sources tell of a huge taken the initiative on Tuesday after "desperate" resistance by the Soviets holding their own.

Reports from Bucharest state that a Rumanian column from Galatz advanced eight kilometres towards Tarutin, due south of Kufinev.

Russians here, however, assert that the Rumanians are not participating in the fighting, being held in reserve.

RUMANIAN CLAIM

Romanians claim that they have crossed the River Pruth at Galatz, other Finnish coastal towns have heard distant explosions from the direction of Estonia across the Baltic. Smoke and explosions are also reported to have been seen along the Estonian coast.

BUCHAREST RAID

LONDON, June 25 (Reuters) — Bucharest had a 20-minute alarm at 6:40 p.m. yesterday, says a message to the German official news agency.

GERMAN REPORT

LONDON, June 25 (Reuters) — The official German news agency reported last night:

"Today there is nothing to indicate systematic offensive movement by Soviet troops. The Germans have taken the initiative."

This statement followed a survey of the first two days' campaign from which, declared the news agency, the following points emerged: the German forces were advancing according to plan; the Soviet troops were resisting desperately in some sectors, and the Luftwaffe has shown its superiority.

The striking power, equipment and experience of the German forces have been "well tested" in battle, and "the next few days will show what defence the Soviet troops can put up" against the German might.

RUSSIAN BREACH

The news agency's review began by referring to "a breach in the Russian frontier positions" achieved by the German shock troops supported by engineers, artillery and armoured divisions despite "stubborn resistance."

Speaking of the High Command's "great reserve" regarding the progress of land operations, the news agency dismissed the Soviet High Command's reports of counter-attacks on "isolated parts of the front" as following "the notorious example of the Poles" and promises that in the next few days will show "who is right."

Despite great distances to be covered the Luftwaffe scored successes on all fronts and had "destroyed great number of enemy aircraft, inflicted substantial injury to ground troops and destroyed transports of all kinds and communications in the zone of operations."

NAVAL ATTACKS

The German Navy made daring attacks in the Baltic and the Black Seas in support of German flanks.

The news agency reports in "unusual case" about a Nazi J-boats sinking a Soviet submarine.

Besides mining the Baltic Sea, the German Navy is mining the seas to Soviet naval bases which had led to "enemy losses."

MOSCOW A.R.P. TEST

MOSCOW, June 25 (Reuters) — The city's first air raid alert lasted from 3 a.m. to 4:25 a.m. but it was later officially announced that

in spite of heavy and light anti-aircraft barrage and the sound of shell bursts, this was just "realism" and that the whole affair was a test of A.R.P. precautions.

The population went quickly to the shelters while wardens and other defence personnel went to their stations and posts, and lorries distributed fire-fighting material.

At this period of the year, the Moscow sky is dark for only a very short time and the sky was already clear when "raiders" flew over and the sky was dotted with red and black bursts as the ground

Over 1,000 officers were among the 1,000 Italian prisoners of war defences went into action. Officers and men of the Canadian Forces yesterday inspected a fleet of these fast new carriers and took a long drive in one of them.

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BOMBAY, June 25 (Reuters) — Queen Elizabeth yesterday afternoon received the Empress of

the 1,000 Italian prisoners of war who arrived in India in two

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MISLEADING PRESS STATEMENT REFERRED TO BY PROSECUTION IN PETROLEUM EXPORT TRIAL

Six junk masters and tokins, Kwok Tai, Chau Shing-cheng, Lam Chi-kai, Lam Chan-wai, Lam Po-chuen and Chu Chiu-fai, were remanded until Monday, June 30, by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday when they were charged with attempting to export 9,500 tins of petrol without permits from the Controller of Trade. They were additionally charged with carrying petrol on board their junks which had not been duly licensed for such a purpose and with anchoring at a place—Po Tai O—not designated for dangerous goods.

Mr. Peter H. Sim represented all accused.

Mr. W. P. Thompson, A.S.P., is in charge of prosecution and prior to the commencement of the case he drew his Worship's attention to the statement alleged to have been made by him and quoted by the South China Morning Post of yesterday's issue and the final edition of the Hongkong Telegraph of June 24 in the order for confiscation of the petrol in question in connexion with this case, as misleading.

Mr. Thompson said that the reason why he asked for the confiscation of the goods was that a very flagrant offence had been committed against Section 12 of the Dangerous Goods Ordinance.

He pointed out that the junks were found anchored in close proximity and the fact that they all had cooking chattles on board constituted a very grave danger. There is no doubt that if a fire had broken out a serious conflagration would have resulted.

His Worship, in replying said, "I agree with you Mr. Thompson. I have also read a report of it, and it was very misleading."

ANOTHER CASE

Fung So, 36, junk steersman and Wong Hei-hop, 45, cargo broker, also appeared before Mr. Anderson charged with attempting to export 2,000 tins of petrol on board junk No. T4788H without a permit from the Controller of Trade on April 25.

Accused were additionally charged with stealing from junk No. T4788H 2,000 tins of petrol valued at \$19,200 the petrol being the property of Hung Man-chiu, of No. 8, Whig Shing Street, ground floor.

Further the accused were alleged to have conspired between April 2 and April 25 to steal the petrol.

Mr. Hung shing Lo represented the complainant, while Mr. C. D'Almada appeared for Fung and Wong. Det.-Sgt. H. J. Baldwin was present for the Police.

TWO RECEIPTS

After submission by Mr. D'Almada that there was no evidence that the petrol was put on board although there were 2 receipts, one acknowledging receipt of \$19,200 for the cargo and the other stating that the cargo was received by a man and not by the defendants.

There was no evidence of conspiracy to steal or larceny itself.

There were negotiations for a junk to carry the cargo, but the actual arrangements to obtain the permits were made by a third person, which was not connected in this case and there was no evidence at all that the defendants knew each other and in that case they could not have possibly conspired.

Second accused was discharged while the first accused was found guilty of the first charge and was fined \$500 or serve one month's hard labour.

The summons against the complainant in the case, Hung Man-chiu, for attempting to export the petrol, was adjourned sine die.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

STOLE FROM SHOWCASE

Tang Tse-hung, 24, and Cheung Long, 30, both unemployed, were sentenced by Mr. H. G. Sheldon yesterday to three months' hard labour each for stealing two rolls of cloth from a showcase at No. 11, Queen's Road West on June 24.

Det.-Sgt. F. D. B. Tuckett said that defendants were arrested on information at Eastern Street in possession of the cloth.

Both defendants admitted three previous convictions each.

ALLEGED CONSPIRACY

Three persons, Ngan Shum-pui, 40, shop assistant, Tam Sui, 57, broker, and Kwan Kel-kei, 32, unemployed, were charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday with having, together with another not in custody, conspired together on June 23 to cheat and defraud one Lau Shing, 36, of the Malacca Singapore Company, of \$1,000.

Mr. Alfred S. K. Lau appeared for first defendant.

The case for remanded until Saturday, bail being allowed at \$500 each.

Det.-Sgt. W. Summers is in charge of the case.

UNCLEAN PREMISES

Pau Lee, of the St. Francis Hotel Restaurant, was fined \$50 by Mr. Sheldon yesterday for failing to keep his premises and utensils in a clean condition at all times in compliance with the Public Health Ordinance.

Mr. H. C. Lee pleaded guilty on behalf of defendant.

Health Inspector E. J. Whitgob said that the Chinese food restaurant of the Hotel had been visited on seven occasions between April 10 and May 15, and it was found to be unclean.

On all the visits, defendant was present and his attention drawn to the objectionable points.

On April 28 a letter was sent to defendant warning him that if the place remained dirty, the license would have to be cancelled. A reply acknowledging receipt of that letter was received.

Mr. Lee said that although the management was legally responsible, the caterer was to blame, as the kitchen was leased out to him, and unfortunately the lease agreement stipulated that the management should have no control over the employees at all.

\$2,000 FINE IMPOSED

Wellin Huen Tsang-wel, of Messrs. William Hunt and Company, Gloucester Building, was fined \$2,000 by Mr. Sheldon, K. C. yesterday for a breach of the Defence Regulations by unlawfully possessing a private code contained in 16 sheets of paper.

No detail of the charge were related in open Court.

Defendant was represented by Mr. H. J. Armstrong, of Messrs. Deacons.

When the case was called up, Mr. Armstrong asked for an interview in Chambers with the Magistrate. This was granted and Court was adjourned for a few minutes.

At the resumed sitting, Mr. Armstrong pleaded guilty and the fine was imposed.

Sgt. F. Russell, of the Special Branch, was in charge of the case.

BOUND OVER

Li Kau, 32, shop fok, appeared before Mr. Lowry yesterday on a charge of having assaulted Ip Chan, 24, shop fok, of No. 13, Second Street.

Prosecuting, Sgt. H. Goldie said that on June 23 at about 6.30 p.m. a Chinese police sergeant saw a gang of about 15 men chasing complainant from the junction of Eastern and Second Streets towards Second Street, where defendant struck complainant on the head with a piece of wood.

Auxiliary to the National Red Cross Society of China.

At the first annual general meeting on June 25, 1940, a scholarship of the annual value of \$400 for a student qualified to enter the School of Chinese Students in the Hongkong University was created, the proposal having been made by Prof. Forster, the Hon. Treasurer. Acting upon this decision, the Standing Committee drew up in September the regulations for the scholarship. So far no one has applied for the scholarship. At present only one scholarship is planned; but the Committee hope more can be established in course of time.

Lectures were delivered in the course of the year by Miss Agnes Smedley, Prof. Tschen Yin-koh, of Tsing-hua University, Mr. T. K. Chuan, Editor of the *Tien Hsia* Monthly, and Prof. Gordon King.

It should perhaps be recorded here that, during Miss Smedley's lectures, the audience were moved when she spoke of the plight of the Chinese wounded in the present Sino-Japanese war, that a voluntary contribution for the wounded was collected on the spot, the amount totalling \$46.07. This money was sent to the Foreign

Pleading guilty, defendant was bound over in the sum of \$10 for six months.

SNATCHER IMPRISONED

Pleading guilty to a charge of stealing a fountain pen from the person of one Cha Tim at Connaught Road Central on June 24, Lam Kam-chi, 17, unemployed, was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. Lowry yesterday.

Det.-Sgt. W. Summers said that complainant was walking along the road, when he had his fountain pen, which was clipped to the front of his shirt, snatched away by defendant. During the subsequent chase, defendant passed the pen to somebody and it was not recovered.

It was stated that defendant had three previous convictions for larceny from the person.

SHOP MASTER CHARGED

Further evidence was taken by Mr. Lowry yesterday in the case in which Chan Ng-tsai, alias Chan Fook-cho, master of the Fook Ming shop, No. 159, Des Voeux Road Central, is charged with fraudulent conversion of \$2,800 on Mar. 20.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ conducted the prosecution, assisted by Det.-Sgt. J. R. Sykes, while defendant was represented by Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo.

It was stated that the sum involved was part of \$4,300 entrusted to defendant by Chu Tung, banker, of No. 298, Queen's Road Central, second floor, for the purpose of purchasing a specific pair of jade bangles.

In cross-examination yesterday, defendant denying that there was truth in the allegations of complainant that some money was given to him for buying bangles, said that he had only on little over \$800 from complainant at poker.

Hearing was adjourned to next Friday at noon.

AT KOWLOON

HEARING FIXED

Hearing was fixed for July 9 and 11 by Mr. H. C. Macnamara yesterday in the case in which Mok Wah, 26, Pau Shu-chuen, 32, and Li Kwan, 23, were charged with demanding \$30 with menaces on July 17 and 18 from Shu Shui with intent to steal same.

The accused were also charged with extortion of \$20 from the same complainant on the same dates.

First accused was additionally charged with demanding \$1 with menaces from Hui Luk with intent to steal same on Mar. 28. He was also charged with extortion of \$1 from the same complainant on the same date.

Mr. J. D'Almada Remedios is appearing for second and third defendants, while Det.-Sgt. N. B. Fraser is in charge of prosecution. Bail of \$500 each was allowed.

JUDGMENT DELIVERED

Judgment was given by Mr. Anderson yesterday at the Kowloon Magistracy in the case in which Lo Yau, Lai Hop, Wong Keung, Chan Lung, woman, Cpl. Leonard Munsey, of the R. A. O. C. Depot, and Po and Tsui Tok are charged with conspiracy to steal 215 blankets from the R. A. O. C. Depot at Mataukok.

Munsey was additionally charged with stealing three blankets, two sheets, a mosquito curtain and an electric bulb from the R. A. O. C. Depot, and was alternatively charged, together with the woman, with receiving stolen property.

In passing judgment, his Worship remarked that the evidence against fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh accused was entirely based upon that given by the first three defendants and prosecution had no evidence against them, and he, therefore, fined the first three accused \$250 or three months' hard labour, and the other defendants were discharged.

Mr. C. D'Almada appeared for Mun-y and the woman, Mr. Hing-shing Lo for the second accused and Mr. M. A. da Silva for the first accused.

Det. Sub-Inspect. C. Dowman prosecuted.

EMBEZZLED \$278.88

Lau Tsui, 30, fok, of No. 233 Nathan Road, ground floor, appeared before Mr. Anderson yesterday and was sentenced to serve three months' hard labour for embezzlement between Mar. 4 and May 29, at the Sai Wah Petrol Company, of \$278.88 from the Tsui manager.

He was additionally charged with forging a receipt for nine gallons of gasoline in the name of Dr. J. S. Pyne.

It was stated that accused was employed by the complainant at a

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TENDERS for DOLLARS current in this Colony, for telegraphic transfer, on the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, London, up to and for the sum of £200,000 will be received by the Treasury Chest Officer, Command Pay Office, until 10.15 a.m. on the 26th June, 1941.

The tenders to state the total amount (in pounds sterling). No telegraphic transfer will be made for less than £100, but tenders for sums above that amount to suit the convenience of the tenderers will be considered.

The tenders to be in duplicate, and in sealed covers, addressed to the Treasury Chest Officer, Command Pay Office, and endorsed "Tenders for Government Bills, etc."

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Copies of Forms of Tender can be had on application.

Persons tendering for (Bills) are hereby notified that having regard to the provisions of the Acts 22 George III Cap. 45 and 41 George III Cap. 52 the acceptance of any such Tender is subject to the express condition that no Member of the British House of Commons shall be admitted to any share or part in or to any benefit to arise from the Contract thereby made for the allotment of such (Bills)."

The provisions in question do not apply to Contracts entered into by any incorporated Company in its corporate capacity and made for the general benefit of the Company."

N. FORDE,
Colonel, R.A.P.C.
Treasury Chest Officer,
His Majesty's Treasury Office,
Hong Kong.

HEIRS SOUGHT
FOR BIG U.S.
FORTUNE

Los Angeles — Somewhere in England—if they survived the bombings of London—is a family members of which would receive a substantial part of an estate worth \$30,000 if they could be found. But so far all efforts to locate them have failed, and information at hand indicated that their home may have been bombed and all or a number of them killed, according to Attorney George Appell of Los Angeles.

The estate is that left by Sallie Cohen, old-timer stage actress, who died in Los Angeles last March 20th at the age of 80, and the English beneficiaries are her son, whom she had not seen since he was a baby one year old, and his family, including his three sons and a daughter and also two of his grandchildren.

Miss Cohen—she used her maiden name, although she had been married twice—executed her will last July 2nd, and included the following bequests:

To her son, Fille Levy, \$10,000 in cash plus interest in a \$5,000 trust; to his children, George Morris, Joshua and Dolle, \$500 each, and to the two grandchildren, whose names she said she did not know—\$1,000 each.

LEGISLATIVE
COUNCIL

The Legislative Council will hold a meeting today at 2.30 p.m. when the Attorney General will move the First reading of "A Bill to amend the Crown Rent (Appropriation) Ordinance, 1938."

The Financial Secretary will move the Second and Third readings of "A Bill to amend and consolidate the War Revenue Ordinances of 1940."

The Honourable Mr. Stanley Hudson Dodwell will move the Second and Third readings of "A Bill to incorporate Trustees capable of holding property and empowered to administer two trust funds known as The Chater (Cathedral) Endowment Fund and The Chater (St. Andrew's Church) Endowment Fund for the purpose of assisting in the maintenance of St. John's Cathedral and St. Andrew's Church in this Colony."

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary & Assistant Manager,
Hong Kong, 4th June, 1941.

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RUSSIA'S CHANCES

THE MAJORITY of observers prophesy a speedy victory for the Nazis over the Russians and they base their judgment on a survey of past and recent events. They argue that with only sixty German and Austrian divisions against them, the Russians collapsed in 1917 and had to agree to the treaty of Brestilovsk. How can they survive the onslaught of 122 divisions ranged against them at this moment, consisting, as a large proportion of this army does, of well equipped and mechanized troops? In addition to this, the German Army comes from the fields of Flanders and of France flushed with victory. Then it is linked with the dispossessed state of Rumania, and Finland, both of which seek to recover what was ruthlessly snatched from them. Then it is thought that the Finnish campaign was an excellent opportunity for testing the efficiency and might of the Russian war machine, but that campaign proved, or seemed to prove, not Russia's power so much as her incompetence. Further there is little doubt that Russia in her belief in the might of her armies, has not sought for friends in any part of the world, nor has she been able to acquire new resources and supplies of man-power by conquest to any appreciable extent. She has seen her doctrines flouted in Germany and even trampled underfoot; her adherents have been under suspicion in every country in the world, but by no country were they treated with such cruelty as in Germany and it is with Germany she was allied. Another source of weakness is detected in the Russian position, namely, the lack of trained leaders, which is due to the numerous purges that have taken place in recent years.

THERE IS another side to the picture however. With regard to the Finnish campaign it is stated that the Russians were deceived about the extent and strength of the Communist Fifth Column in Finland and consequently despatched small and inferior forces to deal with the situation. It was only when they realised that Finland was sold that they sent in their better troops. There can be little doubt that the Russian army is a bigger and finer force than the Russian army of 1914, which did, in any case, fight on until 1917; and then it only surrendered because its supplies of ammunition had completely broken down. It is significant that the White Russians are not in favour of the Nazis, but are hoping for a Russian victory; and it is fairly certain that those who have been brought up in the Soviet System since 1917, which is 24 years ago, and which means every soldier under the age of thirty at least, will be behind the Russian army of today. The present Russian soldier is undoubtedly superior to his predecessor, for he is a member of a People's Army, and not merely a professional soldier. Foreign

ers may not like Bolshevism, but writers like Bernard Pares, an Englishman and a distinguished Russian scholar, who went there prepared to condemn the system lock, stock and barrel, had to admit, after listening to conversations in the train, tram and in the market place, that the vast majority were well satisfied with their lot. This must make an important difference in the spirit of the army of today, as compared with that of 1914, when revolution was already in the air and merely delayed because of the external danger.

IT IS reasonable to suppose that there are no Fifth Columnists in Russia, ready to back up Germany, for, as Herr Hitler says, even the Germans who resided for any length of time in Russia were soon lost to Germany, since the spirit of Russia seemed to master them. While it may be said that the Nazi troops invade Russia, flushed with success in other fields, it is equally true to say that they go to Russia because of their fear of failure in Britain. There they met with the air disaster in September and a diplomatic defeat when they sought, through Herr Hess to induce Britain to call the war off and join in the attack on Russia. The German forces then advance into Russia because they can do no other. A short war was essential to Hitler; a long war means starvation and the crippling of Europe. Even now the flow of grain from Russia must be interrupted for many months even if Germany did triumph. No one knows how to carry out the scorched earth policy better than the Russians. At the beginning of the 17th Century they did it; when Charles XII invaded the country they burnt down everything, and when Napoleon tried it, they left a wilderness for him. If the war should last into the winter, then Hitler will have to wage war against General's January and February. These, then, are some of the factors which tell in Russia's favour and may very well enable her to hold out sufficiently long to make Hitler regret that he ever sought to emulate the exploits of Napoleon Bonaparte.—(OBSERVER).

EDITORIAL

CHARITY MAH JONGG DRIVE



A charity mahjongg drive, sponsored by the Hongkong Chinese Women's Club, in aid of the Club's relief funds, was held at the International Women's Club Gloucester Building, yesterday afternoon. About 80 persons attended.

Prize winning tickets were drawn by Mrs. Li Tse-fong and they were as follows: Nos. 102, 132, 77, 36 and 122.

CORRESPONDENCE

NAZI CONSULATE

The Editor, H. K. Daily Press

Sir.—I was surprised to read your paper of the 21st instant under the above heading that a Nazi Consulate will shortly make its appearance in the Portuguese Colony, such will be staffed by Nazis, with the sole object of spreading Axis propaganda. It appears your reporter has been misinformed, for as far as can be learned there is not the tiniest truth in it, nor have the Macao Authorities been approached on the matter.

A. F. R.

REGISTRY
WEDDING

The marriage took place at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday of Mr. Lam Yun-ming, clerk of No. 114 Prince Edward Road, and Miss Ho Yat-tim, of No. 29 Sands Street. Mr. J. Reynolds, Deputy Registrar, officiated at the ceremony.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following forthcoming marriages were announced yesterday:

Mr. Lau On, salesman, of No. 428 Queen's Road West, third floor, and Miss Mai Wah, of No. 21 Wing Hing Street, ground floor;

Mr. Wong Heung Foo, student, of No. 183 Ladchik Road, and Miss Yee Bok-kin, of No. 70 Woo Sung Street;

Mr. Wee Tu-keng, teacher, of No. 199 Hennessy Road, and Miss Lily Kwoh, of No. 231 Hennessy Road;

Mr. Yip Kat-nam, radio mechanician, of No. 156 Jaffe Road, and Miss Choi Man-ching, of the same address.

TRAGEDY STRIKES
WEDDING PARTY

A coconut tree, crashing down on a little shed in which half a dozen Malay women were celebrating a wedding at the East Coast killed one middle-aged woman outright and seriously injured three others who were removed to hospital by ambulance. Fracture of the skull accompanied with spinal injury was suspected in two of the cases, while the third, an elderly woman, is thought to be suffering from concussion of the brain.

Two other women in the hut were also injured.

The shed was a temporary kitchen in which meals were being prepared for a wedding feast, which was to have taken place in an estate at the 8½ milestone, East Coast Road.

The shed was put up under the coconut tree which, in its fall, pinned the dead woman right under the trunk.

LIFE-SAVING
CLASS

Fifteen members of the Hong Kong Police Force consisting of Europeans and Chinese Sub-Inspectors, have formed a life-saving class with Sergeant Bower as coach.

Among the members are Sergeant Channing, Davitt and Penfold, and S.I.s. Wong Wing-yin, Lai Kwal-kuen, Lam Kam-kwong, Ho Shui-huen and Chan Har-cheong.

Compulsory Service
Tribunal

A public session of the Compulsory Service Tribunal will be held on Friday, July 4, at 4 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Colonial Secretariat.

THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 1941.

THE WAR IN THE AIR:

FORCING NAZIS TO FIGHT
ON TWO FRONTS: VALUE OF
R.A.F. RAIDS ON GERMANY

"Our bombers have been going over in force and Germany is being hit harder from the air than in any previous period of the war," said MAJ. OLIVER STEWART, M.C., A.F.C., editor of the London magazine "AERONAUTICS" and authority on aerial warfare, when he broadcast from London yesterday on the significance of the R.A.F. offensive on Western Germany.

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MR. JUSTICE CRESSALL: Interesting And Witty Talk On Some Impressions Of Palestine

A very interesting and witty talk entitled "Some Impressions of Palestine" was given by MR. JUSTICE P. E. F. CRESSALL to members of the Jewish Club last night.

The speaker prefaced his talk with a vivid description of King David Street, Jerusalem, with its vegetables and fruit shops and cloth merchants—the Arab shop-keepers and the "fat black veiled women" with shoes and stockings mostly in holes but with veils of brand new silk—the struggling chattering mass of men, women and animals (mainly donkeys with an odd camel or two) pushing, shouting, snorting as they pick their way slowly up or down the well-worn flag stones.

This King David Street, or "The Suk," said Mr. Cressall, was once described in verse as follows:

The Suk's a street of monks and bones
And pavements flagged with murderous stones
Where mokes and blokes and hideous wenches
Produce the most unpleasant stenches
All well defined, as are the sinks
Pertaining to the sewers and the sinks.
O City Fathers, hear our prayer
Our supplication to the Mayor,
If ye remove the stones and stenches
We'll try to put up with the wenches.

OUTSTANDING CHANGE

"The outstanding change in Jerusalem," went on Mr. Cressall, "during the last twenty years is that it has become a metropolis of the Jewish people for the Jewish population has been strikingly increased during these 20 years."

The speaker then mentioned the "world-famed Hebrew University on Mount Scopus with its equally famous inscription on its entrance gates 'Work for the country; work for science; work for humanity'."

Tel Aviv, said Mr. Cressall, is the city which showed the most phenomenal development since the British occupation of Palestine 20 years ago. In 1920 it had a population of only 2,000—today, the figure has risen to 150,000. "Tel Aviv" means the Hill of Spring, "and believe me," continued the speaker, "it has sprung with a vengeance!"

FESTIVAL OF ESTER

The Festival of Ester, or as it is popularly called "Purim" is a merry carnival and represents a kind of Lord Mayor's Show through the street. This lasts for three days during which no business is

JAPAN AND NEW SITUATION

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a mass of contradiction? She must realise that Hitler took no account of Japanese interests and Japan may now take a leaf out of his own book and act according to her own national interests.

"But where does Japan's first interests lead?" asked Sir Frederick.

"Do they lead to a new conquest in North-East Asia against Russia, now that the Soviet is no longer able to defend her territory in the Far East, or do they point to new operations in the South Seas? How far could Japan go in either direction now that she is so deeply engaged with more than a million men in China?"

"My own belief," went on Sir Frederick, "is that this question will bring about a sharp difference of opinion in the highest circles in Tokyo and they may revive the conflict of opinion between the maritime and the continental parties in Japan. The continental clique, which is the Army, will plunk for an immediate move to capture Vladivostock. The temptation to do this will be almost irresistible in the hour of Russia's weakness, but the maritime school will claim that there will be much better prizes to be won in the South Seas while America and Britain are deeply concerned with the war in Europe."

POLITICAL SPLIT

Sir Frederick said that these were the probable outlines of what happen in Tokyo. How would they end? Unless the Japanese Army marched on Vladivostock there would be a political split and, in his opinion, Japan would wait a little further to see how Hitler fares with his new war.

CABLE

General Keitel Over-ruled Ribbentrop's Reasons Against Immediate Smashing Of Red Army

LONDON, June 25 (Reuter)—The story prevalent in well-informed European circles that GENERAL KEITEL over-ruled HERR VON RIBBENTROP'S reasons against the immediate smashing of the Russian Army is quoted by Reuter's Special correspondent "some where in Europe."

Herr von Ribbentrop, it is stated, with the backing of others in the Wilhelmstrasse, desired a peaceful solution of the Russo-German situation in the belief

FIRSTLY, that Russia would make far-reaching concessions to avoid war;

SECONDLY, the occupation of Russian territory would reduce its productivity as had been done in other subjugated countries; and

THIRDLY, the fact that 10,000,000 Germans were already mobilised was creating a strain on German economy.

Gen. Keitel's answer was that Russia would never concede to the demobilisation of her Army which constituted a potential threat to Germany; further time would enable M. Stalin to complete the re-organisation of the Red Army and expose Germany to a two-front war.

U.S. SUPPORT

The growing volume of American support and the democracies and even the possibility of American intervention, seems to have supported the German Army leaders' victory over the Wilhelmstrasse with its initial admission that Germany has not yet felt able to attempt an invasion of Britain.

Other subjects under discussion in Europe mentioned the increasing discontent of the peoples in occupied countries, growing Communist propaganda in France whose catastrophic condition has not been improved by Admiral Darlan's policy, and the prospect that the European harvest, despite all efforts of improvement, will be 10,000,000 tons below the requirements, while fodder, fats and lubricating oils are undergoing progress.

Favourable Reports From Syria Front

CAIRO, June 25 (Reuter)—The Australian troops have made a further important advance in the coastal sector of the Syrian front, states a GHQ communiqué, which adds that artillery is already in action against the Vichy position at Damour.

On Monday, British troops occupied Queda, Gagana, southwest of Damascus, and are now advancing towards the Damascus-Berut road.

Free French and Indian troops successfully attacked and occupied the high ground north of Parze.

In the Mery Ayoun area, our forces made further local gains and fighting is proceeding.

Nazi Attempts To Take Cernauti Fail

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of the attack against Russia in its communiqué on Tuesday, but towards midnight the official German news agency maintained that on land German shock-troops, heavily supported, have taken the initiative after stubborn Russian resistance in the first two days.

The Germans claim that Russian frontier positions have been pierced and that at some points German troops penetrated 75 miles into Russian territory.

STIFF RESISTANCE

There is no confirmation of these claims in the Red Army High Command communiqué broadcast by the Moscow Radio early on Tuesday morning, which stated that Russian troops are putting up "stiff resistance" to the continued German offensive yesterday all along the line, and from the positions given, it indicated that fighting is still taking place.

GERMAN INTERESTS

LONDON, June 25 (Reuter)—The Rumanian Government is taking charge of German interests in the Soviet Union and the Swedish Government is performing the same service for Slovakia, according to the German Radio.

The same source says that the Danish Government has ordered the staff of the Danish Legation in Moscow to return to Denmark.

DUTCH ON SIDE OF SOVIET

Queen Wilhelmina's Broadcast

LONDON, June 25 (Reuter)—Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands, broadcasting, said: "We are full of compassion for the Russian people who have to undergo such a terrible ordeal."

Today, it is Russia but we know that tomorrow or the day after, those mighty bulwarks of our civilisation and principles which are holy to us, the British Empire and the United States will have to withstand the main might of Hitler's war machine.

"For this reason, when circumstances may lead to this, we shall fight by the side of the Russian people. We shall do this, remaining faithful to our viewpoint in respect of Bolshevism which is the result of our principles, for we may never forget that we reject absolutely the principles and practices of Bolshevism."

TRIBUTE TO EMPIRE

Queen Wilhelmina paid tribute to the "firm, courageous attitude and wide statesmanship displayed by the British Empire towards this new conflict."

She said: "They like the United States, will never tolerate a wedge being driven between our mutual co-operation for freedom and justice by Hitler's treacherous policy or that slacking should occur in the world-wide co-ordinated effort to bring about a victory of our arms."

PRIORITIES

The President had no idea whether priorities could be granted to expedite the manufacture of aircraft for Russia.

He said he did not know what the Soviet credit, released by the Treasury, might be used for, but it was supposed Russia would be allowed to buy things in the United States with them.

President Roosevelt said there was nothing to amplify the statement on United States policy made on Monday by Mr. Sumner Welles. All he could say was that the United States was going to give all aid she possibly could to Russia.

LEASE, LEND BILL

The President declined to answer the question whether Russia came within the category of nations which could be aided under the Lease and Lend Act.

He also declined to say whether Russia might pay cash for defence items or operate under the Lease and Lend terms.

HEALTH BULLETIN

The following is the Return of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the 48 hours ended at midnight, on June 24:—Cerebral Fevers, one case; Cholera, 21 cases; Diphtheria, two cases; Dysentery, 12 cases; Enteric Fever, seven cases; Measles, two cases; Tuberculosis, 71 cases.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Kingsley Wood declared that compared with February when the last £1,000,000,000 was voted, there had been a further increase in the rate of expenditure on the war.

Britain's foreign expenditure had naturally fallen but domestic expenditure had increased correspondingly. Investors were contributing nearly £40,000,000 a week.

A further effort in this direction

was still possible and a new drive

is to be launched to expand

throughout the country the net-

work of savings groups and in-

crease the rate of individual sav-

ings.

EXCELLENT PALESTINE DEFENCES

"Halfa's defences were so excellent that in a four-hour raid on Tuesday very little damage was done and only one person was killed," said a young Dutchman who arrived by plane in Singapore with his wife from Palestine.

Mr. and Mrs. Kumferre have lived in Halfa for eight years running their own firm, and the last night of their stay in Palestine was spent in an air raid shelter.

They are going to Java to settle down there. The plane which usually leaves from Lydda, near Tel-Aviv, on its present run left from Amman in Trans-Jordan with 14 European passengers.

Describing the raid on Tuesday night Mr. Kumferre said that the enemy planes received a hot reception, one was shot down and at least three were badly damaged.

The news of the British troops marching into Syria was received with great jubilation in Palestine and us for weeks past there had been a constant fear in the minds of Palestinians that the Germans would get too firmly established in Syria.

Another passenger on the plane was Mr. I. Korman, a businessman from Palestine. He is going on a six months holiday to Melbourne to visit his son who is in business there.

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Defence Needs Of N.E.I.

The rapidity of modern warfare was the subject of an interesting talk by Major van Dyken, of the Staff, at general meeting of the Association of Officers of the Reserve at Djokja.

"Formerly," he said, "it was sufficient for a defending army to occupy certain positions and portions of the coast near the bases to be defended, and then wait and see where the enemy would land before concentrating on the menaced positions."

"Nowadays, however, an enemy becomes dangerous very soon after the blitz-krig."

According to Major van Dyken, our concentrations need to be speeded up considerably. Troops should be held in readiness in all parts of the country so that the enemy might be opposed with sufficient force in a very short period of time.

"We need," said Major van Dyken, "three groups of defensive troops."

"(1) Those occupying the coast sectors, adequately equipped with automatic guns and anti-tank and anti-aircraft guns;

"(2) Rapid mechanised and motorised divisions that are able to oppose enemy landing forces wherever they might penetrate;

"(3) Finally so-called 'parashot' troops able to cope with paratroopers and air-force infantry inland. For these we can rely on the reserves of the L.D.V. and the Home Guard."

EXCELLENTLY SUITED

According to Major van Dyken the Indonesian conscripts would be excellently suited to this kind of work. He then said that Java's fleet and air bases should be retained at all costs. The defence of these points should not be seen as merely local and limited actions.

"In the same manner as Singapore's defences begin in Burma and Malaya, the defence of our chief bases comprises the whole of Java, as seen from a purely military point of view and not even taking the totalitarian method of warfare into consideration."

In this connection the speaker referred to the important part played by the air force, in both defence and attack. By making use of advanced bases, defence may easily become attack, and even allow of pressure on the enemy on their own ground.

"The air force has enabled us to give due attention to areas of strategical importance in the Outer Possessions, without necessarily cutting up our forces."

"The defence of Java is consequently strengthened and our own power of attack greatly enhanced, because both fleet and military air arms have thus been lengthened."

Carefully Stage-Managed Demonstration By Nazi Agents Outside British Embassy In Madrid

LONDON, June 25 (Reuter)—Rioting which occurred outside the British Embassy in Madrid yesterday is now revealed as carefully stage-managed by the Nazis who saw to it that German photographers and a German film unit were on the spot before the rioting began, states Reuter's Diplomatic correspondent.

With stupid teutonic thoroughness they even transported bricks and missiles to the scene in motor vehicles.

MUCH PUBLICITY

Naturally, German sources, whose aim is the disturbance of Anglo-Spanish relations, are giving as much publicity as possible to their version of the riot.

The Spanish police eventually restored order.

The British Ambassador in Madrid, Sir Samuel Hoare, whose whereabouts at the time of the incident were not known, at present has protested to the Spanish Government and Mr. Eden is today seeing the Spanish Ambassador.

Among the crowd of sightseers, which inevitably collected, agitators endeavoured to get the onlookers to renew the disturbances and the production manager was careful to ensure that good pictures were taken of this spontaneous outburst."

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Crammed with dust and Government guile;
How we hate your very sight,
When by chance you're brought to light."

Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie thanked the speaker.

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of the attack against Russia in its communiqué on Tuesday, but towards midnight the official German news agency maintained that on land German shock-troops, heavily supported, have taken the initiative after stubborn Russian resistance in the first two days.

The Germans claim that Russian frontier positions have been pierced and that at some points German troops penetrated 75 miles into Russian territory.

There is no confirmation of these claims in the Red Army High Command communiqué broadcast by the Moscow Radio early on Tuesday morning, which stated that Russian troops are putting up "stiff resistance" to the continued German offensive yesterday all along the line, and from the positions given, it indicated that fighting is still taking place.

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RADIO PROGRAMMES

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945 Songs by Evelyn Laye (Soprano) and Richard Crooks (Tenor). Gipsy Moon (Borgholli). Just a Linger In Your Arms (Arnold).

Richard Crooks (Tenor) with Orchestra When I Grown Too Old To Dream; The Night Is Young (both from film "The Night Is Young") Evelyn Laye (Soprano) with Orch

10.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 A Rachmaninoff Programme.

Polichinelle: Prelude in B Flat Left Polichinelle (Piano). Symphony No. 3 in A Minor, Op. 44 1st Mov Allegro moderato; 2nd Mov Adagio non troppo; 3rd Mov Allegro Sergei Rachmaninoff conducting the Philadelphia Orchestra

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do 12.00 midnightTrans. II & III—News Summary 7.30 a.m.
Full Bulletin 8.30 a.m.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Shamshui-poo—2754 Lau Shiu-yeung till July 25, 3015 Law So until August 25.

Eastern—3221 Miss Wong Sze-lin sick leave till July 25, Kowloon City—De-

puty Divisional Warden B. P. C.

Fletcher leaves from June 29 to July 6,

Mongkok—3440 Pong Pang till August 16.

TRANSFERS

Yau-mati—S/W 2683 H. W. Roger.

Tsimshatsui, is transferred to Yau-mati. A.R.P. Headquarters Kowloon —

A.R.P. ORDERS

JUNE 26, 1941

A.R.P. Orders by Wing Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perrins, O.B.E., Director of Air Raid Precautions

SPECIAL ORDER

A.R.P. Orders No. 23 called for new Wardens to furnish one photograph at the time of attestation. It has now been decided that all candidates must hand 2 photographs with their name in block letters at the back to the instructor at the first or second lecture. Photographs will be returned to unsuccessful candidates on application

RE-ORGANISATION OF DISTRICTS

District "G", Central—As from July 1, District "G", Central Division will be abolished and the area it covers will be administered by District "F", Central Division. All members of the Corps at present attached to District "G" Central will be automatically transferred to District "F" Central as from July 1.

District "D", Aberdeen—As from June 21, District "D", Aberdeen Division will be abolished and the area it covers will be administered by District "B", Aberdeen Division. All members of the Corps at present attached to District "D" will be automatically transferred to District "B" as from June 21.

STRENGTH DECREASE

The following Wardens have been permitted to resign:

Tsimshatsui—Divisional Warden J. Moodie on transfer to Transport and Labour Control Board Shamshui-poo 1919 Yu Tak-fong and 3422 Miss Wong Nai-ping Western—District Warden H. T. Tso is permitted to resign and to retain the rank of Honorary District Warden. Upper Levels—2649 Miss Law Ol-huen and 3231 Au Kwok-in.

The following Wardens have been struck off the strength:

Yau-mati—S/W 2506 Lau Kwock-hung Upper Levels—2530 Lai Shiu-tung.

The undermentioned being a member of the St. John's Ambulance Association and Brigade is struck off the strength of the Corps:

Shamshui-poo—2499 Miss Fan Siu-yung.

The following Wardens have been dismissed from the Corps:

Shamshui-poo—3637 Poon Jor-ping S/W 1855 Choi Shiu-yin and 2442 Wong Ying-chiu.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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666 Chan Lum, 1st floor, Chin Fung-ko (U.L.) to 7 Second Street, 1st floor, Central—2813 Lai Kam-hong (U.L.) to 5 Wing Shing Street, 2nd floor, 2825 Luk Sing-wo and 2836 Tong Kwing Street, 2nd floor, 2837 Ho Pui-kei (M.K.) to 507 Nathan Road, Kowloon C.ty.

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Support For Russia

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Russians of their spirit of resistance is what I think it is."

STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE

The Liberal Leader, Sir Percy Harris, was glad that Mr Eden insisted on the strategic importance of the position and declared that some believe that as a result of Germany fighting a war on two fronts, our labours are lessened. Nothing is further from the truth.

He was glad that Mr Eden insisted that we should clear our minds of prejudice against the internal form of government in Russia. Our purpose now should be to root out this evil thing and to destroy these outlaws who disregard solemn pacts and agreements and see that peace is restored to a troubled Europe.

The former War Minister, Mr Leslie Hore-Belisha, thought that the latest development could be regarded with qualified satisfaction. The efforts of Germany against us are momentarily distracted and whatever the outcome of the conflict, there will be a great consumption of German war material.

The most satisfactory way of helping Russia will be through the Black Sea but unfortunately at the moment the German hold on Greece and Crete and the Aegean Islands commanding the approaches through the Dardanelles is a great disadvantage to British sea power.

If we do not assist Turkey, that country will be used as an avenue for achievement of Germany's ambitions in Asia and in attacking our interests and our Egyptian position.

One means of sustaining Turkey would be in expediting the conclusion of our Syrian campaign. It is urgent to take measures in a military sphere which will reassure Turkey.

SUBTLE MOVE

Let us realise the subtlety of this Hitlerism move - whether made from wild desperation or methodical calculation. It carries the support of some other countries by its special appeal. It does carry Marshal Petain, the whole basis of whose government is anti-Communism. It will help to carry General Franco.

But all these are long-term facts. We have as the result of this got a respite and "I pray that Parliament will use it to the full."

The Conservative Member, the Earl of Winterton, thought that the situation between Britain and Turkey should be clarified. He had a great admiration for the Turks and admitted that their difficulties were enormous, but the time had passed when any country or the importance and dignity of Turkey could be in the position she was today.

Sooner or later she has to declare which side she is on.

Mr. Churchill interjected: "What a remark to make!"

Lord Winterton, however, declared that Turkey had signed a treaty with Britain's greatest enemy and asked, "How can you be mutually friendly with two enemies such as Germany and us?"

Mr. Churchill again intervened to say: "It would not be in the public interest for the discussion to continue on these lines. We should not seek to probe and define too clearly the attitude of certain Powers surrounded by very great difficulties who may not wish or be in a position to declare themselves."

COMMUNIST VIEW

Much general interest was evinced when Britain's only Communist member, Mr. William Gallagher, who has been persistently critical of the Government, rose to speak.

Mr. Gallagher declared that with the war which is being waged against the Soviet Union, it may be said that in a very short space of time there has been a considerable shifting of attitude (Laughter).

"I shall not be the only one that will be doing the shifting."

"When I read the Prime Minister's Sunday night speech, I must admit that I was agreeably surprised that he had gone as far as he had, but even then he did not go far enough (Laughter)."

"I have always been against a sell-out" because it would be a betrayal not only of this country but of Europe. It is essential that we should have a government that on account of added resources of

EXECUTIVE YUAN CHUNGKING PAPER URGES RUSSIA TO JOIN DEMOCRACIES

European Situation Is Discussed

CHUNGKING, June 25 (Central) — The latest developments in the European situation were discussed at this morning's meeting of the Executive Yuan.

Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Minister of Foreign Affairs, reported on the international situation following the outbreak of the Russo-German war, while the War Minister, General Ho Ying-chin, reported on the military situation in China. In view of the importance of the discussions, the meeting was attended by all the Cabinet Ministers.

Complying with petitions from the Ministry of Education, the meeting decided to establish a National College at Kwefyang and to re-organize the private Ta Cheng Normal School into a Government institution.

SZECHWAN PETITION

Upon the petition of the Szechwan Provincial Government, the term of office of the members of the Szechuan Provincial People's Assembly was extended for another year.

Mr. Chao Hsu-feng was appointed Assistant Director of the Agricultural Administration Bureau in succession to Mr. Tsai Cheng-hsin, resigned, while Messrs Hwang Chih-ching and Yang Chung-chien were appointed Senior Experts of the Central Geological Survey Bureau.

BRITISH TRAWLER BAGS RAIDER

LONDON, June 25 (Reuters) — The enemy aircraft which attacked British minesweepers on Monday was destroyed by the naval trawler Solon, says an Admiralty communiqué.

During the engagement the trawler Nog was damaged by a bomb and taken in tow by the Solon and another trawler but subsequently sank.

British casualties were three wounded.

WASHINGTON, June 25 (Reuters) — The War Department announces that troops have been withdrawn from the North American Aviation factory at Inglewood, California, where a strike holding up big defence orders was settled recently. Following the failure of mediation efforts, President Roosevelt had sent troops to the factory to ensure that there should be no interference with the resumption of work.

active co-operation with the Soviet Union in the great task ahead."

Replies to a query by another member whether Communists now propose to give the Nazis war effort every support, Mr. Gallagher denied that Communists are delaying production and declared that any hold-up was the responsibility of the Government and employers.

LORDS DEBATE

Like the House of Commons, the House of Lords yesterday debated British policy towards Russia. Lord Cranborne, Secretary for the Dominions, made a brief statement on similar lines to Mr. Eden's and declared that Britain and Russia are poles apart in matters of policies and religion, but they have common interest in facing a ruthless foe and are the object of the same insatiable ambition.

To ignore that would be folly. Of the progress of the struggle, he could tell little. Both sides had issued communiques but they tell little.

The Labour peer, Lord Addison, predicted that Hitler's insidious propaganda would be directed to posing as the champion of Christianity but the widespread horrors for which Hitler is responsible would keep our response clearly defined.

The Liberal, Viscount Samuel, recalled that in the last war Britain rallied to Russia although there was a profound disapproval of Tsarism. It would be the greatest error if either Britain or the United States relaxed their grip on the United States.

"I have always been against a sell-out" because it would be a betrayal not only of this country but of Europe. It is essential that we should have a government that on account of added resources of

Russia, it seems, for her own sake, Russia should join the Democratic front, commented the CENTRAL DAILY NEWS on Monday in an editorial on "Germany Actually Challenges Russia."

"No matter whether from the viewpoint of ideology or of political expediency," the editorial said, "the world generally realises that the Russo-German conflict is inevitable. Three or four months ago, there were already rumours of deterioration in Russo-German relations, while in the last fortnight, the world's chancelleries setched with speculation."

"We believe," the paper declared, "international disputes must be solved by peaceful negotiations through regular diplomatic channels."

"If one party attempts to force us to do this or that, we know that Russia will demands on another party, sit the aggressor and will not allow her territory to be violated by the aggressor because it is Russia's traditional spirit. Although Germany in the past three years conquered 15 countries, they are unhealthy states torn by racial complexities making impossible united resistance against a foreign foe, or because militarily they are weak and unable to effectively resist, or because of disunification they are unable to concentrate their national strength. Therefore some were vanquished in a fortnight and others in five or six weeks."

"As far as the Russo-German dispute is concerned, we are unable yet to make a correct judgment. However, Germany cannot defend herself for having refused to resort to peaceful negotiations but instead to resort to Blitzkrieg war fare to challenge Russia. For this Germany has to assume the responsibility for starting the war. Although Hitler in his proclamation to the German people condemned Russia, yet it is Germany who provoked the war while Russia took up the challenge by resistance. Only when one takes up resistance can one claim the right of self-defence, and can employ force. Only when force is used to defend one's sovereignty and territory, is force righteousness, can it arouse human sympathy and can victory sympathise with Russia believing that Russia will finally be

"Blitzkriegs and breaking up intended victim one by one are Hitler's two secrets in conquering Europe, but since he failed to apply these to Britain, it is likely

that he will similarly fall in the case of Russia."

ENTIRE AXIS TREND

"When the Tripartite Military Alliance was concluded, we said that we must study it with the anti-Comintern Pact before we could discern the entire Axis diplomatic trend. The Military Alliance is obviously against China, the United States, and Britain. However, politically short-sighted people, deceived by the existence of Article V relating to Russia, thought that the alliance is not directed against her. As a matter of fact, Article V is entirely a smokescreen because since the Anti-Comintern Pact is against Russia, it was not necessary to further excite Russia through the Axis military alliance. Moreover, circumstances then did not permit Germany to include Russia in the Democratic front. Therefore, it was a diplomatic move to insert Article V.

"When the alliance was concluded, the German and Japanese Governments declared that the anti-Comintern pact is still effective and may be strengthened, indicating clearly that the Axis bloc's animosity is directed against the four leading Democracies. Within a few hours after the Russo-German war broke out, Italy and Hungary announced that they are on Germany's side proving that the Axis bloc has a comprehensive programme and takes concerted steps.

It is expected that other Axis countries will soon issue similar declarations.

FOREGONE CONCLUSION

"This leads us to Japan, the Axis bloc's only Far Eastern ally. Although a Russo-Japanese Neutrality Pact was concluded, it is not as strictly binding as the Russo-German Non-Aggression Agreement. If Germany scrapped the latter, it is a foregone conclusion that Japan will not respect the former. We like to call Russia's attention to this.

"A Russo-British understanding was reported on Sunday but is yet unconfirmed. We believe that Russia, to avoid the Germans' tactics of breaking up her victims one by one, will stand on the side of the Democracies, pledging the fullest cooperation and taking concerted action."

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1918 Failure Is Recalled By "Pravda"

MOSCOW, June 25 (Reuter)—"We know that the enemy who attacked us is strong. We do not expect an easy victory. We know that victory over Fascism will be difficult and will demand many sacrifices but we also know that we shall win," says Pravda.

It recalls that the German attempt to seize Ukraine in 1918 was defeated with enormous losses despite the fact that the Russians then were "exhausted by the Imperialist war and poorly armed and supplied."

The Pravda adds: "Since then our forces have grown immeasurably. We possess a powerful and splendidly armed and supplied Red Army and Navy capable of delivering a crushing blow to any enemy."

SINO-JAPANESE HOSTILITIES

CHINESE SUCCESSES IN E. KIANGSI

SOUTH ANHWEI, June 25 (Cen-tral)—Further successes have been scored by Chinese troops operating in eastern Kiangsi.

A Japanese detachment pushing south from Malukow, south of Pengtseh, on June 18 was ambushed by the Chinese and engaged in severe close-quarter fighting. Taken completely unaware, the Japanese suffered numerous losses and the remnants hurriedly fled back for their lives.

A successful raid was made by Chinese troops on the Japanese at Oufeng, a height northwest of Pengtseh, on the night of June 18. Roused from their slumbers, the Japanese put up a haphazard fight but were decimated by the Chinese. After destroying Japanese communications in the vicinity of the point, the Chinese safely retired before dawn with a sizable war booty.

Chishan, a point south of Kweichow, 85 miles above Wuhu in southern Anhwei, was also successfully attacked by a Chinese mobile unit.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 26 June to 2 July 1941.

Days of Week	Days of Month	HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Thu.	26	09 35	7 4	03 17	3 0
		23 44	4 2	17 06	0 3
Fri.	27	10 10	7 4	06 48	3 0
		—	—	17 44	0 4
Sat.	28	00 22	4 3	04 26	3 1
		10 51	7 2	18 23	0 5
Sun.	29	01 01	4 4	05 7	3 2
		11 30	6 9	19 04	0 7
Mon.	30	01 44	4 5	06 57	3 3
		12 27	6 4	19 46	1 1
Tues.	1	02 31	4 6	06 58	3 4
		13 29	5 8	20 31	1 6
Wed.	2	03 20	6 0	08 27	3 4
		14 39	5 2	21 70	2 0

AMERICANS WANT U.S. NAVY BASED IN S'PORE

The third of the Pan American Airways' giant Clippers arrived in Singapore recently, bringing with it 20 passengers for Singapore and a large mail.

On board was Mrs. Dee Bredin, journalist, who, incidentally, was also the first woman passenger brought by Pan American Airways to Malaya. Another journalist who arrived by the Clipper yesterday was Mr. Richard Watts, of the New York Herald Tribune.

Interviewed, Mr. Watts who has been connected with the Herald Tribune since 1924, stated that he was on a roving trip for his paper to cover Singapore and later the Dutch East Indies and China.

America was slowly beginning to realize the importance of Singapore in the Far East, he said, and there was a strong feeling on the part of the public that the American Fleet should be stationed here.

Singapore was only a romantic name before, but it was much more now. Questioned, he said that it would be some time before America would enter the European war in an active sense.

RIGHT AWAY

There was a strong school which thought that Germany wanted America to enter the war right away, so that all material help from America to Britain would be hindered, but he personally did not think that that was the right way; he felt that America would do her very utmost only after she had entered the war.

Mrs. Dee Bredin is out here to cover the Dutch East Indies for some of Hearst's magazines. She is going to the DEI as the guest of the Dutch Government, she said.

She hopes to visit Batavia, Bali, Timor and other places and later visit Australia and New Zealand.

Mrs. Bredin is also a broadcaster for the National Broadcasting Corporation and will go on the air from Batavia, telling the people in the States all about the DEI.

LONDON SOUNDING OUT JAPAN

WASHINGTON, June 25 (Cen-tral)—An Associated Press report from London today stated that Britain was sounding out Japan regarding her reaction to the Nazi-Soviet hostilities.

Although officials here declined to comment on the report, the Associated Press added that reliable but unofficial sources said that the British request for Japanese information would avoid pressing Japan because the Japanese themselves are probably badly confused by the quick about-face of Germany.

Harbour Department Holiday

Tuesday, July 1, having been declared a public holiday, the Mercantile Marine Office, Harbour Department, will be open only from 10 a.m. to 12 noon on that date, the Entry and Clearance Office from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and the Junk Light-vessel, Buoys, Beacons, etc. Office from 11 a.m. to 12 noon, on the Coast and Rivers of China, states a Harbour Office notice.

The Board fixed the monthly rental at \$70.

MARINERS WARNED

Attention is drawn to the fact that the bell tower, forward bulkhead, and lower half of the light-tower of the Yangtze Entrance Light-vessel have now been painted white, the other characteristics of the light-vessel remaining as described in "List of Lighthouses, 1941."

The Japanese Consulate-General was agreeable to the increase of rent from \$60 to \$80 as the house had undergone considerable repairs.

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**FUNERAL OF MR.
W. R. DEDEAR****Principal Officer Of
H.K. Prisons**

The funeral took place at the Catholic Cemetery yesterday evening of PRINCIPAL OFFICER WIL- LIAM RICHARD DEDEAR, of the Hongkong Prisons, who died at Stanley on Tuesday night.

Father Rosello officiated at the service in the chapel and at the graveside, while two buglers from the Royal Scots sounded the "Last Post."

The late Mr. Dedeer, who was 47 years of age, joined the Prison Staff in 1921 and had only come back to the Colony from Sydney where he spent nine months' sick leave with his wife, two daughters and son.

WAR SERVICE

Decedent went through the whole of the last Great War, serving in the Royal Artillery, and saw service both in France and in Salonika. Up to his death he was a corporal in the Stanley Platoon, H.K.V.D.C.

He was a keen sportsman and figured in many fights as a welter-weight in the old City Hall. He was also very fond of swimming. He was a member of the Naval and Military Lodge No. 848, S.C.

The following Prison officers acted as pall bearers: Messrs. F. T. Winterton, J. Dredwyer, R. J. V. Grindley, T. H. Pearce, Woodward and H. M. Vanthall.

THOSE PRESENT

Among those who attended the funeral were Major J. L. Willcocks, Commissioner of Prisons, Mr. H. Barrett, Superintendent of Prisons, Mr. C. J. Norman, Assistant Superintendent of Prisons, Mr. J. W. Fitzgerald, Chief Officer, and officer commanding Stanley Platoon, H.K.V.D.C., Mr. W. J. Bagley, Acting Assistant Chief Officer, Mr. A. Paice, Principal Industrial Officer, Chief Indian Warden, Rahimnet Khan and Prison Officers A. Jillott, B. Plumb, P. Ryan, H. Merriman, F. R. Fuglie, G. Foster and H. S. Spooers (Acting Principal Officer), V. H. Freeman, Lieut. J. Purvis, H. K. N. D. R., W. Mulcahy, L. D. Skinner, L. G. Batten and Mrs. Paice.

Present also were contingents of European and Indian warders and a detachment of the Special Indian Guard.

A bouquet from deceased's wife and children Alice, Peggy and Dicky—was interred with the coffin.

THE WREATHS

Floral tributes were sent from Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Ashley and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. Barrett and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bagley, Jim Batten, Mr. A. G. Bond, Mr. J. E. Burns, Mr. G. W. Carr, Mr. and Mrs. G. Cottrell and family, Mr. C. C. F. Crofton, Mr. J. Crossan, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Didsbury and family (Vancouver) and Mr. L. D. Skinner, Mr. W. Doxford, Mr. and Mrs. J. Dredwyer and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fitzgerald and family, Mr. R. C. Fitzgerald, Mr. W. Floyde, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Fordham, Mr. and Mrs. G. Foster and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Franks, Mr. and Mrs. E. Franks, Mr. and Mrs. E. Franks, Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Freeman and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Fuglie and family, C. M. Gemmell, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. V. Grindley, Dr. and Mrs. E. W. R. Hackett, Comdr. and Mrs. W. H. L. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Harrop and family, Mr. F. N. Hill and children, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hircok, Mr. S. Hodge and Pat, Mr. and Mrs. C. Jamieson and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. Jillott and family;

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**LIVING WAGE FOR
CLERKS URGED**

"The absence of a living wage and suitable facilities for the honest borrower were the primary causes of indebtedness amongst the clerical employees," said Mr. G. H. Kiat, vice-president of the Clerical Union, addressing a fair gathering of Rotarians and guests at the Singapore Rotary Club's stag dinner held at the Adelphi Hotel.

Mr. Kiat was speaking on "Clerical indebtedness—what is the remedy?"

He suggested that employees be paid a living wage, with a little extra, and for the purpose of accommodating the honest borrowers he suggested the formation of a bank, like the one in America, backed by philanthropists, where by honest clerical employees could open a current account and necessary borrow, this bank working on the motto:—"If you have the money we want it, if you want the money we have it."

Outlining the causes of indebtedness, Mr. Kiat placed in order of importance:

(a) Easy credit, thereby encouraging reckless borrowing and spending.

(b) Spending on entertainments and pleasures beyond one's means;

(c) The absence of a living wage, and

(d) Unforeseen contingencies, like marriages, births, deaths and illness. He stated that though it was generally admitted that the cost of living had risen, the rise in wages had not risen proportionately.

Emphasising that the clerk should be given a living wage, and a little more, Mr. Kiat said that it was unfair to expect one to live hand to mouth month after month.

RECKLESS FEELING

It created a feeling of recklessness and discontent, eventually leading to debts, and the Bankruptcy Court.

The policy in the past had been, "declare your debts, don't get into debts again; if you do, you will be sacked," and this policy the speaker condemned as "uncharitable. It sounds like Hitlerism. It verges on dictatorship."

Replying to questions, Mr. Kiat answered that for a junior clerk with a Junior Cambridge certificate, he would consider \$35 to \$40 a living wage, while for a Senior Cambridge candidate, \$40 to \$50 was just about right to begin him with on the clerical ladder.

Rotarian Lawson proposed a vote of thanks to the speaker. He said that whether the members agreed with Mr. Kiat or not, they could not but admire his sincerity for the welfare of his fellow beings.

Among the guests for the evening were Mr. L. Reyman, President of the Municipal Commissioners, the Hon. Mr. E. W. Woollerton, and Mr. John Stuart Martin, War Editor of the Time and Life (American) magazines.

Prior to Mr. Kiat's speech, Mr. Martin gave an interesting account of his adventures in the Middle East ever since he left America on Jan. 4 this year.

Importance Of H.K. Base

The chief requirements of a Naval Base are that it should have plenty of sea room, to provide anchorage space for a fleet, that it should be defensible, so that the fleet may rest under the protection of the defences, and that it should also have fuelling, ammunition and storing facilities, writes a Special Correspondent in the Malaya Tribune.

The repair facilities should be adequate and easily available, so that battle damage can be quickly set right. To these main requirements we can add certain minor requirements which, though by no means essential, are undoubtedly useful. For instance, good recreational facilities for both officers and men, and shops and stores where certain necessities and luxuries can be purchased are very definite advantages. Finally a healthy and equable climate is very much to be desired.

If we examine Hongkong we will see in how far the place can meet the various requirements that we consider as necessary for a base.

MAGNIFICENT HARBOUR

The harbour at Hongkong is magnificent and provides ample room for the accommodation of a large fleet. It is practically landlocked, and save in typhoon weather, it is rare for a sea to be encountered which will seriously handicap the all important boat work which must be carried out if a resting fleet is to be victualled and stored. Another advantage is that the harbour has two entrances a feature which lends itself to the quick berthing of an incoming fleet and the quick deployment of an outgoing one.

The potential defensibility of Hongkong is very great; with one most unfortunate exception. Due to the rugged country and high hills land defences of great strength can be, and have been, constructed. Nor have the defences from water borne attack been neglected. The guns in the various

ton and family, Mr. and Mrs. Woodward and family;

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FOREIGN MAIIS

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 26th JUNE, 1941.

Airmail Service by British Overseas Airways Corporation to East & South Africa, United Kingdom and beyond is temporarily suspended.

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended:

Yunnan
Szechuan
Kweichow
Hunan
Fukien (except Amoy and Kulangsu)
Kwangsi
North and East of Kwangtung

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

INWARD AIR MAIIS

From	Due
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 24th June,	1st July
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 8th July,	15th July

OUTWARD AIR MAIIS

For	Date and Time
MONDAY	
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."	
TUESDAY	
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services"	
TUESDAY	
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services"	
TUE. 15th July	

building firms who could, should the need arise, be employed on the smaller repair work such as overhauling of ships' boats.

So we can say that the repair facilities are more than adequate to meet the ordinary requirements of a fleet and could certainly be relied upon to play a most effective part in repair of battle damage.

RECREATION FOR PERSONNEL

So much for our more necessary requirements. Now to turn to the minor and not so important requirements. The recreational facilities of the Colony can be said to be good, though more playing fields for football, or cricket, would certainly not come amiss to a large force making a short stay, and desiring, during that short stay, to give the maximum number of men the maximum chance of healthy and enjoyable recreation. Apart from games there are excellent facilities for bathing and swimming, and many pleasant beaches where bathing and picnic parties could be held.

The town of Victoria provides ample opportunities for shopping and replenishment of stocks both for individuals and also for the ships. It also gives a man who has spent many days at sea with the constant strain of watching for the enemy, opportunities for relaxation and entertainment.

The climate of Hongkong is undoubtedly, trying during the summer with its damp and sticky heat. Though it is probably not nearly so trying for men who have the compensation of being at sea for a portion of their time, where they will get a break from the unpleasant monotony of a hot and sticky day following a hot and sticky day. The winter climate is probably one of the best and healthiest which could be found in the world.

Our examination of Hongkong

PLAN FOR TEMPLE DEFERRED

A total sum of \$31,981.00 was paid to the nominees of deceased members during the year under review, stated Mr. Law Yew Swee, J.P., president of the Selangor Buddhist Association at the annual general meeting in Kuala Lumpur.

"The report for the year shows quite a satisfactory position of the Provident Fund of our association and I do not see that there is anything more for me to add except to refer to the Building Fund," he said.

"After deducting the sum of \$8,862.00 being the cost and maintenance of the land, there is the sum of \$36,832.42 standing to the credit of the fund. Of this sum of \$36,832.42 we have invested in the Government Savings Bank, War Loan Bonds etc., \$27,613.55, leaving a balance of \$9,018.87, which we shall seek investment in due course.

"Your committee is not able to proceed with the building scheme owing to the war. As soon as it is permissible, to do so I shall spare no efforts to lay the foundation of our temple first, for I find it is necessary to have this building in order to enable us to propagate Buddhism."

shows us that the place is liberally endowed with most of the features which go to the make up of a good naval base, apart from the vulnerability to air attack it is one of the most perfectly situated bases in the world and plays an important part in British Far Eastern strategy.